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He has betrayed himself, for he pledged his honor the night of the election in 1904 that he would under no circumstances again be a candidate for president. Although his first term was not one to which he had been elected, yet he declared on his honor that he

to the chorus that has been chanting Mr. Roosevelt's praises since the day of his return from Africa. Our own judgment is that his third-term statement has weakened him rather than strengthened him.

As a candidate under cover he was a

member election. He will have the hostility of the Taft men to reckon with on one thing; and, in all probability, the hostility of the Simonpure progressives of the LaFollette type also, for he latter think that Roosevelt betrayed them in the fall of 1910. Such factors

conducting an underground fight against the administration, seeking in every way to embarrass it, even going so far as to repudiate his own work in the White House in the hope of furthering his personal ambitions.

New York state convention, and in going out against the common enemy to be finally beaten, and apparently discredited. To stay out of contest in the issues of which he is interested is not Mr. Roosevelt's way. Other men who like to achieve success notice the flight which is necessary to

Mark that last clause—"until the convention has expressed its preference."

a faith in his integrity of character which made such a thing seem possible. It is clear that if he is to accept the nomination for president must be from some other power in the national convention of the